

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 19, line 22 with the following rewritten paragraph:

As shown in FIG. ~~[[7]]~~ 10, the transport way 32 is linear, and is divided into first to seventh work stages S1 to S7 which form a tact system. In the work stages S1 to S7, respective allotted shares of work are completed in the same time, and subsequently a transport operation to the next stage is synchronously performed. When the work of the respective work stages S1 to S7 is successively carried out, the sealing preparation is completed. Since the transport way 32 is linear, the respective allotted shares of work can individually be performed in the respective work stages S1 to S7, and a standby time is advantageously short.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 24, line 1 with the following rewritten paragraph:

As shown in FIG. 13, the sheet cutting section 51 ~~52~~ includes a sheet drawing mechanism 61, a first cutting mechanism 62, and a pair of second cutting mechanisms 63. The sheet drawing mechanism 61 includes a chuck moving device 66, and sheet chuck 65. The chuck moving device 66 is fixed onto an apparatus base 64 disposed along the second conveyor 50. The sheet chuck 65 moved by the chuck moving device 66 has an openable/closable tip end for pinching a tip end of the fed portion 54a.